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SUBJECT: MORSE MEDIATION ISC/SODESUCRE

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1. DAVID MORSE TELEPHONED AF/W DIRECTOR APRIL 4 REGARDING HIS MEDIATION EFFORTS IN ISC/SODESUCRE CASE. MORSE SAID TORCZNER (SODESUCRE INTERLOCUTOR) HAS GONE TO ABIDJAN TO SEE PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY, PRESUMABLY TO SECURE AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE WITH ISC ON THE BASIS OF SPECIFIC FIGURES. HE RETURNS ON APRIL 11, BUT OWING TO OTHER COMMITMENTS, MORSE WILL BE UNABLE TO SEE HIM BEFORE APRIL 18.

2. MORSE REPORTS HIS PARIS PARTNER, JOHN CRAWFORD, HAS PICKED UP RUMORS TO THE EFFECT MINPLAN DIAWARA WILL SHORTLY BE REASSIGNED, PERHAPS TO AN EMBASSY, AND THAT
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MINAGRICULTURE SAWADOGO MAY ALSO BE REPLACED. RUMORS ASCRIBED TO FURTHER IVORIANIZATION OF GOIC. MORSE COMMENTED THAT IF THESE RUMORS WERE TRUE ONLY MINFIN BEDIE WOULD REMAIN AMONG THE MINISTERS ON WHOSE BEHALF HE HAS BEEN CONDUCTING MEDIATION. WE NOTED WE HAD NOT HEARD THESE REPORTS, BUT THAT WE WOULD ASK EMBASSY ABIDJAN FOR COMMENT AND WOULD PASS ON ANY INFORMATION WE THOUGHT

WOULD BE HELPFUL TO MORSE.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENT BY C.O.B. APRIL 8.

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